

Busiest wing in Air Force named best in 21 AF

Charleston AFB was recently selected as the most outstanding active duty wing in 21st Air Force. The following Charleston accomplishments were taken into consideration for this award:

Mission effectiveness

Charleston AFB supported every major contingency and humanitarian effort worldwide.

Operation Allied Force

airlift missions, employed C-17A direct delivery concept.

zone; 19K tons of armor/equipment

and 4,500 troops.

stabilized security for more than eight miles of perimeter; designed entry-control points and developed force protection procedures for 800 personnel.

passengers, 11K short tons; 95.8% launch reliability.

Operation Shining Hope

Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to provide humanitarian relief for thousands of refugees in Macedonia

more than 700K pounds of relief supplies to Tirana.

station departure reliability rate was 94.7 percent exceeding AMC standard.

station departure reliability rate was 93.9 percent—best in AMC.

est tasked Phoenix Raven unit, logged 7,261 flying hours during 1,551 TDY days.

supported 10,637

sorties for a total of 47,902 flying hours, with wing personnel spending more than 23,165 days TDY.

Inspections/Evaluations

during no-notice F-16 Alert Force Evaluation inspection.

Safety

Year, 1999 AMC Distinguished Ground Safety Award, 1999 USAF Flight Safety Plaque, 1999 USAF Explosives Safety Plaque, 1999 Operational Risk Management Achievement

safety injuries

Competitions/Awards

1st place Combat Tactics, 2nd place Combat Rifle, and "Top Gun Award"

youth drug abuse; educated more than more than 8,000 youth—best in DoD

Awards received

Air Force Awards

Awards: Due-in-from-Maintenance Action Workout Team

Pitsenbarger Award winner for heroism (Tech. Sgt. James Morrison)

man of the Year (Senior Airman Jeannine McGuire)

Achievement Award for the Year

AMC Awards for 1999

of the Year

Year

Award

Achievement

Flight

Communications Squadron Missions Systems Flight

Centers

Award

of Year, Youth Programs—Boys/Girls Club of America

NCO-Outstanding Family Support Award - Intermediate FSC Individual Award

ized Data Management Developmental Team

21st Air Force Awards for 1999

Operation of the Year

Flight of the Year



Staff Sgt. Efrain Gonzalez

Twelve C-17s, Charleston-based maintainers, security forces members, aviators and support personnel made up the Air Expeditionary Group during Operation Allied Force.